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"Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." - Mt 2:20

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December 28, 2025

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Mass Times

Wednesday 9:30 am
Sunday 9:00 am,
11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Adoration

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm
Tuesday 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Wednesday 3:00 pm-7:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm

Church open for prayer

Monday-Friday 9 am-12 pm

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am-12 pm
Fridays by appointment

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 28
9:00 am: In thanksgiving for God's mercy req. by the Oguejiofor Family
11:00 am: For the repose of the souls of Sr. Gloria Garcia req. by Bruno Sigda and Family
5:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family

Wednesday, December 31
5:00 pm: For the repose of the soul of Anne Magda req. by the Family

Thursday, January 1
10:00 am: For the souls in purgatory req. by Rocio Lopez

Sunday, January 4
9:00 am: For the repose of the soul of Robert H Schultz req. by Pete and Anne Ostrowski
11:00 am: For God's guidance req. by Theresa Okpala
5:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family

Mass Schedule

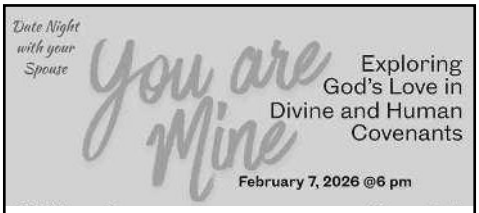
Mary, Mother of God Eve
Wednesday, December 31
5 pm
Mary, Mother of God
Thursday, January 1
10 am

Senior and Retiree Luncheon

January 20, 2026
11:15 am
Maria Hall

Presentation by Lynn Klima, M.D.
Heart Health
Luncheon follows the presentation

No registration required



Date Night with your Spouse

February 7, 2026
6 pm

Cathryn Torgerson-Wade of the Catholic Biblical School of Michigan will present

You are Mine: Exploring God's Love in Divine and Human Covenants

Enjoy fellowship, dinner, drinks and a presentation

Registration is required
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$25 donation per couple is suggested

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Our Weekly Offering

December 14, 2025

Budget: $7,290
Cash and Checks: $4,005
# of envelopes used: 54
Online Giving: $2,320
Total Offering: $6,325

God bless you and thank you for your generosity!

Observances for the week of December 28, 2025

Sunday:	The Holy Family
Monday:	
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	St. Sylvester I, Pope; *New Year's Eve*
Thursday:	Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day, World Day of Peace
Friday:	Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church
Saturday:	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Next Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord

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From Father Pieter

Greetings! Merry Christmas! Today we continue to celebrate Christmas, now from the perspective of Family—the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Pope St. John Paul II said: "*As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live.*" If families suffer, the Church suffers. During these days of Christmas, we may have grown acutely aware of suffering in our hearts and in our families—we see our need for Jesus! But thanks be to God, this is why Jesus came! Let's invite Jesus into our homes and families and ask him to sanctify every part of our lives. Pray for me as I pray for you!

What's Happening at Saint Joseph?

Christmas: Thank you to everyone who helped decorate the church so beautifully for Christmas!

January 1: Holy Day of Obligation—On the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, the eighth day in the Octave of Christmas, we celebrate Christ's birth from the perspective of His Mother! We will offer Masses on Wednesday, December 31 at 5 p.m. and on Thursday, January 1 at 10 a.m. We will take a special collection that day to benefit our own Need-Based Catholic Education Scholarship Fund for children of our parish (this fund will also benefit from your generous contributions to the bishop's "Stewardship for Saints and Scholars"—so by all means don't feel an obligation to give again, but this collection is merely an opportunity to give for those who desire to do so).

IRA gifts: Possibly a Better Way to Make Your Charitable Gifts if you are over 70 1/2?

Individuals who are over 70 1⁄2 can use a special provision in the Internal Revenue Code to completely exclude from income qualified charitable distributions from their IRA. Many individuals traditionally use cash or checks to make charitable contributions. Many of those individuals use the standard deduction for their income tax return and thus might not receive a benefit for their charitable gifts.

Individuals over 70 1⁄2 can direct their IRA administrator to have a portion of their IRA paid directly to a charity of their choice. This direct payment can count toward their annual required minimum distribution, if applicable, but this charitable opportunity is not limited to the required minimum distribution amount.

The amount transferred to charity is 100% excluded from taxable income, thus reducing both federal and Michigan income taxes. While individual circumstances may vary, financial planners and tax planners generally recommend that all charitable contributions for individuals over 70 1⁄2 be paid from their IRAs. For specific instructions on how to have your charitable contributions paid from your IRA, contact your IRA administrator.

Women of Joy

The winter session of Women of Joy, a Catholic Women's Bible Study, starts Friday, January 9. WOJ is reading and discussing Wisdom Literature: Song of Songs, Sirach, Wisdom and Revelation. Sign up for the next session of WOJ. Use the QR code to register or contact the office at office@sjypsi.com.

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